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Requirements for [REDACTED]

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Background

There is a continuing interest in determining the extent of resources devoted to research and development and its cost to the Bloc countries. Information gathered from visits to research facilities evaluated in the light of further information and US experience can be of great value. Source as head of an analytical laboratory should be more familiar than most visiting scientists with problems of administration and cost of research and development activities. His position should also make concern over such problems appear reasonable. Therefore source might be asked to obtain information regarding the organization, financing, and cost of research activities at the facilities he observes during his visit in the Bloc countries and to compare or evaluate the information he obtains in the light of his own experiences.

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SUBJECT: Requirements for [REDACTED]

Questions

(Source should follow his own hunches in approaching this subject. The following questions indicate our interests.)

1. For specific research organizations, what is the annual expenditure of funds? How is this broken down between salaries, other operating expenses -- including materials, construction, equipment purchases? What is the total number of personnel involved? How are they distributed as to skill; scientists, technicians, administrative support?

2. What is the wage scale for scientists, engineers, technicians, etc? How has the scale moved over time?

3. Cite examples of the prices of equipment and materials purchased by research organizations.